Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

DUNMORE (SHENANDOAH) COUNTY VA MILITIA COMPANY OF CAPT. THOMAS BUCK, 16 SEP 1777

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The documents transcribed below are for the militia company of Capt. Thomas Buck of Dunmore County (renamed Shenandoah County in 1778), which was raised in September 1777 in response to the threat of an attack by the British and Indians on Fort Pitt at present Pittsburgh. Thomas Buck described his service on this expedition in his pension application S16672 as follows: "That in the fall of the year 1777 a call was made on the militia of the Counties of Frederick, Dunmore, Augusta, Berkeley Hampshire &c for men to march immediately to Fort Pitt in order to defend the said Fort against the British & Indians; the commander at the Fort Col. John Gibson, having received information, that sixteen thousand British & Indians were expected to lay siege to the same; he wrote letters to the Commandants of each County, at least this deponent is confident, that one was sent to Col. Pugh commandant of Dunmore County for aid to defend said Fort. Whereupon Col. Pugh immediately summoned the Militia and this deponent then acting as adjutant paraded the Militia in Woodstock, the County seat and by orders of Col. Pugh read Col. Gibsons letter to them; Whereupon the field officers of the County Pugh, Bird, Tipton & North proposed to receive volunteers and gave them the privilege of choosing their own officers; whereupon two companies were raised and this deponent was elected to the command of one of them and in a few days in company with the other company marched to Fort Pitt where General [Edward] Hand had arrived and had the command of that Garrison. The names of this deponents subaltern officers were John Crookshanks [John Crookshank] 1st Lieut. Jacob Yost 2d Lieutenant & Lionel Branson Ensign. At Pittsburg there was a Capt. Heth of the regular Army. That when those companies arrived at Fort Pitt the report of the intended attack was contradicted or the British &c had declined the siege but there being such a number of men collected and enlisted as this deponent thinks for six months, the General proposed carrying an expedition to the Indian Towns; and the troops at Pittsburg were embarked on board of boats to Wheeling called (Fort Henry) there to await the arrival of the General and to proceed to the mouth of the Great Kenawha [sic: Kanawha River] where they were to meet the troops from Augusta &c but on the arrival of the General at Fort Henry the small pox had broken out in camp and the winter coming on (it then being late in November or beginning of December the General though it best to decline the expedition and discharged the troops except a certain number to remain the six months to garrison that fort That this deponent did not remain the six months, but his ensign and part of his company did remain till the expiration of the six months."

The transcription is from images on Fold3.com beginning at https://www.fold3.com/image/1/9946807. Full and alternative spellings of names are given in brackets, as well as the number of any pension applications.]

[The following roll is damaged at the places marked *.]					
[*] a Companey of Volunteers Commanded by Capt Thos Buc[*]					
John Crookshanks 1	Lieutenent	Sept 6	Randolph Biz		
Jacob Yost 2 d	ditto	ditto 6	John Snider		
Lionel Branson En	nsign a	ugust 29	John Sonner		
William Ried 1 s	serjent	aug 29	Samul Dust [S		
Jacob Lambert 2 d	litto	[*] 29	John Hoover		
[*]			Elijah[?] [*]ll		
Christuffle Tush [Chr	[*]				
John Steel 3 d	0	Septr 9	William Harri		
Jeremiah Philips 4 th		D'o 21	Thomas Price		
5 0	mmer	Sept 10	Zackriah [Zac		
Friedrick Konaker		augt 29	John Marshall		
William Hoover		augt 30	John Steel		
John Bently		ditto 29			
William Slack		ditto 29			
Valuntine Lackmiller	•	ditto 29			
[*]		ditto [*]			
Martin Say [Martin Z	Zea R11984]	ditto 29	[*]		
Gasper Luby		ditto 29	I do hereby en		
David Piper		ditto 30	Command of		
Christian Supinger		ditto 30	under my hand		
Martin Milliar		ditto 30	Joseph Pugh C		
Abraham Grable		Ditto 22			
William Moredock		ditto 29			
John Midleton [John	Middleton S2847]	ditto 30			
Gorge Lockmiller [G	eorge Lockmiller]	ditto 29			
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William Agnall[?]	- N/C11	[*]			
Gorge Miller [George	e Miller]	ditto 30			
Henry Honaker		do 29	A		
Harbert Stockbridge			Appointed Corp'l.		
William Copeman	[Chuistian Decoursen]	Sept 8			
Christian Booerman	[Unristian Boerman]				
Andrew Copeman	al Salaan]	Sept 8 do 10			
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t Th	os Buc[*]			
	Randolph Bizant	Augt 2	22	
	John Snider	Sept 1	10	
	John Sonner	do	10	
	Samul Dust [Samuel Dust]	do 1	12	
	John Hoover	do 1	12	App'd Corp[*]
	Elijah[?] [*]11	do	6	
	[*]			
	William Harris [R4674]	Augt 2	28	
	Thomas Price	ditto 2	28	
	Zackriah [Zachariah] Price	augt 2	28	
	John Marshall Haslor[?]	augt 2	22	
	John Steel	Sept	9	

[*]

I do hereby enlist the above men under the Command of Capt'n Thomas Buck Given under my hand this 16th day of Setemb'r 1777 Joseph Pugh CL [County Lieutenant]

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This is to Certify that we the subscribers have apprised Sundrie Articles as hereafter mentioned the same being the property of Capt Thomas Buck the Officers & souldiers under his Command being one of the Volenteer Companies from Dunmore County against the Indians September 17th 1777. Viz.

William Huver one Rifle gun & accouteraments 235/. \ldots £11.15 one blanket for ditto 25/. 1. 5 John Huver one Rifle gun }.... 11. ditto ditto 220/ } one blanket 20/ 1. George Millar one blanket } shot pouch, power Horn, }. 1.10 tomehawk & belt 30/ } Martin Millar one blanket Powder Horn, shot pouch tome- }. . 1.16 hawk knife & belt 36/ John Middleton one blanket, shot pouch, powder horn, tome- }. . 3. hawk, knife, & belt. 60/ John Crookshank (first Leutenant) one Rifle Gun Mold & wayper 200/.. €10. one smooth bore, shot pouch, } and powder horn 140/ }. 7. one Large blanket 40/ 2. 19. Carried over £50. 6 [signed in German] Lorrantz Gapp[?]/ [signed] Alex'r Machir Amount brought forward £50.6 Jacob Yost (second Leutenant) } one Rifle Gun shot pouch powder horn, ³/₄ Ld powder, tomehawk, knife, & belt 250/ }. £12.10 one blanket 18/ 13.8 Capt. Thos. Buck one Rifell } Gun, shot pouch & Horn 230/ }.... 11.10 one blanket 45/ 2. 5 13.15 one smooth bore Gun 50/. 2.10 George Whitsels Gun one Rifell ditto ditto 160/. 8. Martin Rollers Gun one blanket, shot pouch. } & powder horn 50/ Lionel Bransons afores'd one smooth bore Gun 45/. 2. 5 Jacob Stovers Gun one quilted blanket 10/ Martin Rollers Blankt one blanket ditto 10/ Jery Evan's Blanket one smooth bore Gun 65/. <u>3. 5</u> £96.19 my own Gun Given from under our hands the date as above we being duly sworn apprisers for the same, the total amount is Ninty Six pound Nineteen shillings. [signed] Lorrent Gapp/ Alex'r Machir

Morning Retun of Capt'n Thos. Bucks Company of Dunmore. Volunteers 8 Oct'r Captain Lieutenants 1 2 Ensign 1 Serjeants 3 Dummer 1 Though Buch Fit for Duty 34 2 Sick Thos Buck 44